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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE SPAYING, NEUTERING AND VACCINATION OF DOGS AND CATS."

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Agriculture shall investigate and make recommendations for legislation regarding (1) the expansion of the animal population control program established pursuant to section 22-380g of the general statutes to include spaying, neutering and vaccination services for companion animals owned or adopted by low-income individuals, and (2) the needs of nonprofit organizations that assist caretakers of feral cats. In its investigations pursuant to this section, the Commissioner of Agriculture shall consult with the chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment, and at least one representative from each of the following entities: A state animal welfare federation; a national

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15 society specializing in companion animal issues; a state-wide mobile spay and neuter clinic; a state dog federation; a state veterinary 16 17 organization; a state municipal animal control officers association; and 18 a state town clerks association. Not later than January 1, 2007, the 19 commissioner shall submit a report on the commissioner's findings 20 and recommendations in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly 21 22 having cognizance of matters relating to the environment."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section